



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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August 19, 2010

TO: EACH SUPERVISOR

FROM: P. MICHAEL FREEMAN

RETIREMENT

Last November, after announcing my planned retirement, you were gracious enough to allow me to stay another year because of unanticipated budget changes that impacted the Fire Department. During the past nine months or so, much work has been done to address those budgetary changes and lessen their impact.

Fire Department executive leaders have done a commendable job in making creative cuts while sustaining emergency service levels. During these efforts, we have learned much that will help meet future challenges. I am satisfied that the Fire Department is on solid financial ground currently and that it has a sound plan for meeting these future challenges.

Therefore, in a spirit of gratitude to you, my staff and all who have supported and helped me, I am advising you that I plan to retire from County service in late November 2010. Of course, there will always be new goals, new challenges, and issues to be addressed and corrected, but there is a time for all things and the time for me to retire is here.

Thank you for your confidence, support, leadership, and counsel during these many years. I trust that with this advance notice, your selection of a successor can be accomplished in a timeframe felt by you to be most advantageous.

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As always, I am available to answer any questions or provide assistance as warranted.

PMF:at

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